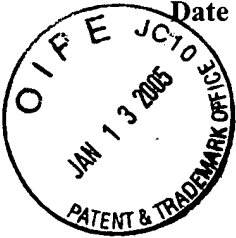


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**RESPONSE TO THE NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 13, 2004**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2004, Applicant submits the following Response and request for reconsideration. Also submitted herewith are a Petition for a Five-Month Extension of Time and the Extension Fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5). With the Petition and Fee, this Response is due on or before January 13, 2005.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Entry and consideration of this Response and accompanying Remarks are respectfully requested.